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To his Excellency Thomas Jefferson President of
the United States of America

Sir,

I have for three years past been a witness of the infinite good
the American People ^{have} happily enjoyed. Fortunate, and unavoidable
result of a wise and impartial Administration!

I most humbly beg leave to dedicate to your Excellency
the trifling production of an hour's leisure: it is a feeble, but
sincere hommage I pay, with the most profound respect, to those
distinguished virtues, which an admiring World venerates in silence.

Deign to accept of the assurances of the
highest Esteem of your most humb^{ly} Servt
Le vicomte de Pastey L. D.

highest Esteem of your most humb^d. & ob^d Servant
Le vicomte de Pastey L. D.

CHANSON d'un Emigré Francais r^el^egué aux
Etats Unis d'Amérique.

DE mon injuste Patrie,
Fuyant les tristes erreurs,
Loin d'elle, et loin de l'envie,
J' Epanche en secrét mes pleurs ;
Loin du théâtre du vice,
De l'Empire des tyrants,
Je ne crains plus l'injustice
Des jaloux, et des méchants.

H
Dans ce nouvel Emisphère
L' Age d'or est de retour :
Thémis règne en cette terre,
Dans le temple de l'amour ;
Et la vertu si touchante
Partout embrase les cœurs,
Sa beauté, sa voix puissante
A triomphé des erreurs.

Grande, et superbe Amérique,
Que ton sort est glorieux !
L' Eclat de ta Republique
Tient de la beaute des cieux ;
De ta sagesse profonde
Sort la source des bienfaits ;
Et de ta gloire féconde,
Naissent les Arts, et la paix.

L. D. D.

Wilmington, Aoust 6, 1804.

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Dear Sirs
Under your direction I have made some
preliminary sketches of the following
trees found near New Bern N.C. to send
you. I will engrave them from these
more perfect drawings of my own
some of which are now ready for you. So
the pictures will be well made. I hope
you will receive them with a smile of approbation.



A New
England
Chestnut
Engraved Specimen.

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